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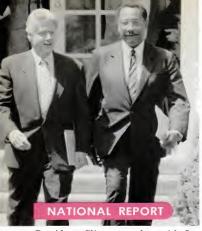
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President Clinton confers with Lee Brown after appointing him to a newly-designated Cabinet post.

Clinton Taps Lee Brown For Drug Policy Post Elevates It To Cabinet

President Clinton's recent nomination of Lee Brown as the nation's director of the Office of Drug Control Policy breaks two barriers.

The 55-year-old Brown, if confirmed by the Senate, will become the first Black to lead the nation's war on drugs as well as the first police officer to ever hold the post.

During the White House Rose Garden announcement, Brown was lauded by the President as having made a constructive difference while heading the New York, Houston, and Atlanta police departments.

"He's got the vision to see conditions clearly and the courage to change what doesn't work," said Clinton, who recently elevated

the office of the drug czar to Cabinet-level status. "Most importantly, he gets results. And this is exactly what we need in the war against drugs."

Brown most recently has been serving on the faculty of Texas Southern University in

Houston.

Having spent most of his career as a police officer, Brown said he comes to the post with a "firm, firm belief that illegal drugs must be controlled in America. I come here today with a strong, strong commitment that illegal drugs can be reduced in America. It is to that end I look forward to joining this administration and developing for the President and the American people an effective national drug control strategy."

Black Colleges To Benefit From Comedy Tour

Students who find themselves in need of emergency travel assistance will benefit from the Greyhound Comedy Caravan Tour, a traveling comedy show. It will target historically Black colleges and universities to raise money for the Greyhound Student Travel Emergency Fund.

Schools that will benefit include North Carolina Central, Durham, N.C.; Fayetteville State, Fayetteville, N.C.; Jackson State, Jackson, Miss.; Xavier University, New Orleans; Texas Southern, Houston; Langston University, Langston, Ok.; and Southern University, Baton Rouge, La.

Comedians on the tour include A.J. Jamal, Ajai Sanders, Nanette

Lee and Faizon.

Lani Guinier Named U.S. Civil Rights Chief 1st Black Woman In Post

A Black woman lawver who once helped bring a voting rights suit against President Clinton while he was the Governor of Arkansas was named the assistant attorney general for civil rights.

Lani Guinier, a law professor at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia, was the only Black announced by Atty. Gen. Janet Reno in a list of six nominees for senior posts in the Justice Depart-

ment.

She will become the first Black woman ever to head the department's civil rights division.

Promoted by a host of Black women, headed by C. Delores Tucker, Guinier emerged as the nominee over a field which included many civil rights advocates, in-

cluding Yale University law professor Drew Days, who previously served in the post under President Carter.

The announcement of the administration's civil rights architect was an advance and the first indication of the direction of the

Clinton thrust.

While working with the NAACP Legal Defense Fund in the 80s, she helped bring voting rights charges against Governor Clinton in Arkansas, a Southern state which even today has not elected a Black member of Congress.

Formerly a law clerk for Federal Appeals Judge Damon J. Keith and a juvenile court referee in Detroit, Ms. Guinier teaches courses in legal ethics, criminal procedure and voting rights law at the University of Pennsylvania Law School.

After being named to high Justice Department post by President Clinton, Atty. Lani Guinier offers remarks at a news conference.





Benjamin Hooks Reflects On His Past 15 Years As Leader Of NAACP

The lane that leads to the NAACP headquarters in Baltimore is Ben L. Hooks Drive.

Rev. Dr. Benjamin Hooks, former NAACP executive director, stands in front of NAACP headquarters building, which was named after him.

Even the five-story, red brick national headquarters building of the country's oldest civil rights organization is named in his honor.

They are tributes to the man who piloted the NAACP through turbulent times and recently handed its helm to a new generation.

Upstairs, in his second floor office, the Rev. Dr. Benjamin L. Hooks was continuing his work routine. But things had changed.

Dramatically.

On the last day of last month. Hooks officially turned over the reins of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People to his successor—Rev. Ben Chavis. And passing the torch wasn't easy.

"All my days, all my life I've

Hooks discusses his 15-year tenure as head of the NAACP and says he plans to teach, write a book and work for an investment company.



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Hooks meets with his clerical staff (l-r) Karen Winn, Selma Sessions and Jeffrey Johnson at NAACP headquarters in Baltimore.

been proud of the NAACP," said Hooks, sitting in the office that had been his for a decade and a half. "When I was a youngster living in Memphis the NAACP was it. And those were the rough years."

That's probably why many years later, in 1977, Hooks gave up his prestigious, highly visible life as a Federal Communications Commission member in order to head the one organization he had looked up to as a little Black boy growing up in the fiercely racist South.

"I didn't think twice before agreeing," said Hooks of his decision to walk away from his prominent position as the FCC's first—and at the time only—Black commissioner.

After all, Hooks' dreams weren't just for himself. They were for his people.

"I wanted to play a continuing role in the evolution of freeing Blacks from the sting of racial prejudice and discrimination," explained Hooks.

And that is exactly what he did. Working 18-hour days, the NAACP and Hooks fought in concert with other civil rights organizations to win the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday, sanctions against South Africa, strong fair housing legislation, and the 1991 Voting Rights Bill.

Those facts, Hooks says, were among his most difficult accomplishments, especially considering they were won despite the Reagan and Bush administrations "that intentionally or unintentionally were hostile to the cause

which I represented."

But his legacy includes much more: During his 15-year tenure as executive director/CEO, the membership of the NAACP increased to approximately 600,000; a nationwide back-to-school/stay-in-school program was launched to deal with the high dropout rate of minorities; and despite criticism of ineffectiveness, the organization received an 86 percent



A Kodak Moment.





At 1991 NAACP convention, Hooks and his wife, Frances, take to the dance floor while U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff Chairman Gen. Colin Powell looks on.

To Concentrate On Ministry

approval rating among Blacks in a news service poll last year, placing the NAACP second only to the church in influence among Black Americans.

The church, not surprisingly, is where Hooks plans to continue his post-NAACP work.

"I want to fulfill more of my yows to the ministry," says Hooks, who received his law degree from Chicago's DePaul University because all of the schools in his home state were segregated. "I feel a call to try to impart some of the knowledge that I have to others."

At 68, Hooks will do just that by working for an investment company, writing a book and teaching. "But my first and primary aim is to devote more of my time to the ministry and my religious work,"

he makes clear.

Naturally, Frances Hooks, his wife of more than 40 years, will be by his side just as she was during his NAACP days.

"I did the very best I could with what I had," says Hooks of his

vears at the NAACP.

"And that was pretty darn good!"

EBONY Fashion Fair's Music Director Has Cameo In Hit Movie



Theodis Rodgers Jr., music director of the Ebony Fashion Fair. world's t.he largest traveling show, makes a cameo appearance in

Theodis Rodgers Jr. the box-office hit Indecent Proposal.

In the blockbuster starring Robert Redford and Demi Moore. Rodgers makes a cameo as the pianist accompanying Sheena Easton in a scene. An expert in synthesizer programming, Rodgers has appeared on network television shows.

He has been music director for EBONY Fashion Fair for seven years, bringing his own brand of music excitement to the benefit fashionfest, which has raised \$40 million for charity since its inception in 1958.



At the sperm-bank, she asked for a tall, intelligent, black man.

One out of three ain't bad.

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Ticker Tape U.S.A.

By Simeon Booker, Washington Bureau Chief Confidential: Capitol Hill's coming health care reform battle is crucial to President Bill Clinton's legislative program but even more vital to the future of American Black people. National Medical Association President Richard Butcher, of San Diego, contends that improvement of health is as important as enforcement of civil rights. He insists that continued poor health conditions doom too many Blacks who cannot compete in schools or the workplace. Ironically, the high cost of adequate medical care in the inner cities and rural sections could endanger passage of the much needed reform...Receiving a standing ovation by Black postal workers in St. Louis after announcing the issuance of a Buffalo Soldier stamp, Postmaster General Marvin T. Runyan returned to Washington to be scored by Rep. Bill Clay. At a Post Office subcommittee hearing, Clay charged that Runyan, in less than a year, had drastically reduced the number of Black postmen in a vast reorganization plan...A luncheon to honor high-ranking White House aide Alexis Herman was canceled suddenly after White House aides discovered the event was corporate sponsored, a violation of the ethics policy for Clinton appointees. Group members encountered all kinds of problems notifying potential guests in many parts of the country and canceling business agreements...Taps for Ernest A. Goodman, 70, ex-diplomat and former Howard U. publicist, of Long Beach, Calif., and GOPer Connie Mack Higgins in D.C...Pa. Sen. Arlen Specter, after returning from a visit to seven Central African nations, reported finding "an enormous potential for foreign investment and trade."

National Headliners: Only Black publication President Clinton reads regularly is Focus, the newsletter of the Joint Center for Political And Economic Studies.' At the Joint Center for Political And Economic Studies' recent dinner, the President said the first lady red penciled an article in the group's newsletter Focus years ago for him to read and since then, he has been a loyal reader... New counsel for Ill.



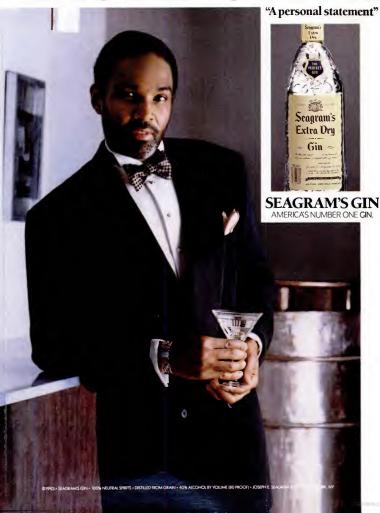
Richard Butcher

Sen. Carol Moseley-Braun is Geoffrey Gibbs, a Rhodes Scholar whose mother, Dr. Jewelle Taylor Gibbs, is a Univ. of California social welfare professor...Next ambassador to Kenya will be Aurelia Brazeal, of Atlanta, currently the envoy to Micronesia and the first Black ever to serve as an economic counselor in Japan.



Aurelia Brazeal

DISTINCTIVE



John Rogers Named New Prexy Chicago's Park

John W. Rogers, a 35-year-old businessman from Chicago, was named the new president of that city's parks board by Mayor Richard M. Daley.

Rogers is a 1980 graduate of Princeton University and was captain of the basketball team. He is the founder of Ariel Capital Management Inc., which boasts over \$2 billion in assets.

Rogers told reporters at City Hall that he would vigorously apply his business skills and experiences to revamping Chicago's

park system.

"I want to create exciting programs that are accessible for people with families and children in Chicago," the young financial manager said.

Espy Vows To End Job Bias In Dept. Of Agriculture

Before the expiration of President Clinton's first 100 days, Agriculture Secretary Mike Espy took action to move his department from last



ment from last Mike Espy place among federal agencies in the area of hiring and upgrading Black and women employees.

Pledging the power of his office, the first Black secretary announced in Washington that he would carry out his promise "to reinvent Agriculture from top to bottom" by enforcing equal opportunity and civil rights regulations.



He issued a new departmental policy statement, stating that "a key element to reach the goal is creating a participatory work environment that allows all employees to realize their full potential, increase their productivity, and end activities that waste human resources."

Catching officials and employees by surprise, Secretary Espy bluntly said, "To achieve these goals, USDA will make every effort to obtain a diverse workforce, ensure equal opportunity, respect civil rights, end discrimination, and create a work environment free from harassment based on gender or sexual orientation."

Secretary Espy directed that all assistant secretaries and agency heads distribute the policy state-

ment by May 7th to every employe in the Washington area and to field offices in all of the 50 states.

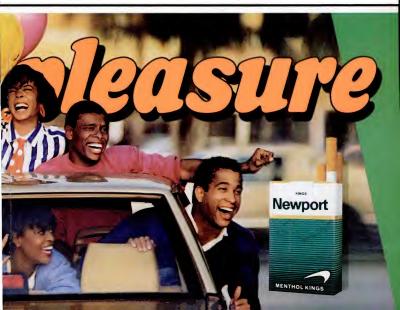
Virginia Ranked As Best Managed For 2nd Year

Gov. L. Douglas Wilder of Virginia recently celebrated his state being honored as the bestmanaged state in the nation for the second year in a row.

The state's chief executive invited the press to a downtown Richmond office building to unveil

the news.

Financial World magazine ranked Virginia number one over several other well-managed states including Utah, second; Minnesota, third; Missouri, fourth; and Maryland, fifth. California was ranked last.





Va. Gov. Wilder's Daughter Loren Marries Calif. MD In Elegant Formal Nuptials

It was a formal affair.

With all the tradition of a whitetie wedding, Virginia Gov. L. Douglas Wilder's daughter recently married in a beautiful ceremony at St. Paul's Episcopal Church near the state capitol then rode in a horse drawn carriage

Loren D. Wilder and Dr. Edward J. James wed recently at St. Paul Episcopal Church in Richmond. Below, newlyweds are congratulated by her parents, Gov. L. Douglas Wilder and Eunice Montgomery Wilder.





Before lavish reception, Dr. James and his bride receive best wishes from bridegroom's parents, Dr. Edward and Joan James.

across the street for a reception in the Executive Mansion.

The former Loren Deane Wilder, who is a training specialist at Xerox Corporation and has on occasion acted as her bachelor father's hostess at state affairs, married Dr. Edward Joseph James, a radiology resident at Stanford University Hospital in California.

More than 400 guests were invited to watch the couple exchange vows at St. Paul's in Richmond—the same church that Wilder held his prayer service the morning of his swearing-in as the first Black elected governor.

Among the list of luminaries and elected officials attending the wedding, which was coordinated by family friend Thomasina Binga, were Black Enterprise Publisher Earl Graves, National Urban League President John E. Jacob, Rep. Robert C. Scott (D.,

Va.), Richmond Mayor Walter Kenney, Arthur Ashe's widow Jeanne Moutoussamy Ashe, (who came with daughter Camera), and actors Tim and Daphne Reid.

After the ceremony, the couple received guests at the governor's mansion along with Gov. Wilder, his former wife, Richmond City Treasurer Eunice Montgomery Wilder, and Dr. James' parents Dr. and Mrs. Edward E. James, of Coraopolis, Pa.

During the reception, guests inside the governor's mansion listened to classical music provided by a flautist and violinist while The Dick Morgan Trio + One provided dance music in the Executive Mansion Garden.

The bride wore a gown with a shirred off-the-shoulder bodice and 3/4 length sleeves. The shoulders were surrounded in self roses. From the dropped waist-line came a full skirt and chapel



Richmond Mayor Walter Kenny wished the newlyweds many years of marital bliss. At right, celebrity couple Tim Reid and his wife Daphne Maxwell Reid were among the 400 guests invited to gala affair.

Wedding In Governor's Mansion Attracts Many Celebrities

train, all created in the most delicate silk taffeta.

The mansion was decorated (Continued on page 58)

The governor enjoys festive occasion with (l) Black Enterprise Publisher and Mrs. Earl G. Graves and National Urban League President and Mrs. John E. Jacob during reception at governor's mansion.





WEEKLY ALMANAC



snow MEN: A Wisconsin Rapids woman dubbed "snow queen" robbed three men last month, including two she left standing nearly naked in the snow, prosecutors said. Della Dobbs, 31, pleaded innocent to three counts of theft. One of the victims went with her to a hotel room, prosecutors said, and was told if he got into the shower she would scrub his back. Instead, she allegedly left with his pants, \$600 in cash and his credit cards.

MORTICIAN'S DEAL:
An Alameda, Calif.,
mortician has a deal for consumers concerned about the high
cost of dying. For \$9.95, mortician
Al Carpenter will mail you plans
for a do-it-yourself coffin that can
be turned into a bookcase, or with
better-quality wood, a coffee table
or chest.

AMERICAN TRASH: Americans threw away 144 pounds of trash per person of packaging from grocery store products in 1990, 18 percent less than ten years ago. In 1990, 24.5 million tons of grocery packaging -paper, plastic, steel, aluminum, glass and wood-was generated, a six percent increase over 1980. The population increased ten percent over that same period. Some packaging was reused or recycled, so in 1990, 18 million tons was discarded, compared with 20 million tons in 1980, the report said.

STAR SCAM: Presidents past and present sent signed photographs to an Evansville, Ind., man accused of mailing phony letters to pro sports teams seeking autographed memorabilia for dying children. Investigators have found signed pictures of President Clinton, former Presidents Reagan and Nixon, and pop star Michael Jackson in searching the home of Troy Bumpus, 30. Bumpus allegedly sold the goods for profit and can be sentenced to 8 vears in prison if convicted.

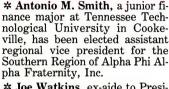
DEADLY MISTAKE:
A hapless would-be robber met his demise after a store employee he stabbed during an attempted heist in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., chased him down and beat him to death with a pipe. Jonny Banks, 37, was killed after he and an accomplice entered a lighting store and demanded money, according to witnesses and police reports. Authorities haven't decided if the store employee, Donald Sondej, 24, will be charged with homicide.

ABANDONED GATOR:
A highway rest area attendant found a 9-inch, quarter pound alligator in a cooler in the women's restroom. The attendant carried the gator to a veterinarian where it was fed a diet of puppy food and put in an overheated room for several days to restore its normal body temperature.

People

* Lloyd V. Hackley, chancellor at Fayetteville (N.C.) State University, recently was elected chairman of the 20-member board of directors of the N.C. Child Advocacy Institute at their recent meeting in Raleigh.

* Lillian M. Johnson, who for the past year has served as interim director of the Bolinga Cultural Resources Center at Wright State University in Dayton, Oh., recently was named director of the center.



* Joe Watkins, ex-aide to President George Bush and head of a consulting firm in D.C., has joined Bill Pollak's Professional Management Associates as consultant. Pollak is a former aide to President Jimmy Carter.





Lloyd V. Hackley Lillian M. Johnson

* Perry O. Johnson, a former staff attorney for the California State Compensation Insurance Fund in Stockton, has been appointed by Gov. Pete Wilson as a commissioner of the California Workers' Compensation Appeals Board.

* John Hope Franklin, eminent historian who is a James B. Duke Professor Emeritus of history and professor of legal history in the Law School at Duke University in Raleigh, N.C., has been elected to the board of trustees of the Duke Endowment.

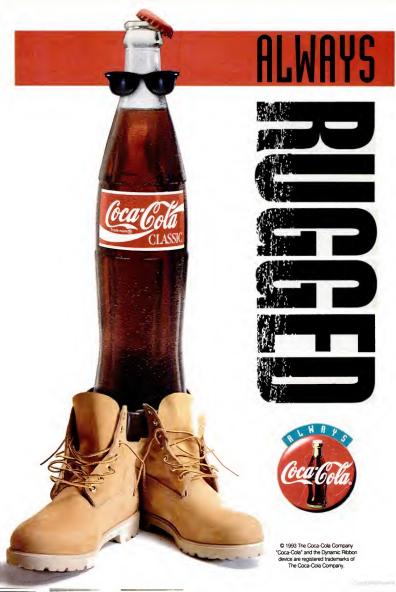




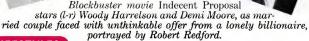
Perry O. Johnson John H. Franklin

* Prexy Nesbitt, consultant for the government of Mozambique and concurrently a staff member with the Urban Studies Program, Associated Colleges of the Midwest, has been named senior program officer for the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation's Program on Peace and International Cooperation in Chicago.

* Maurice Grant, who joined Washington (D.C.) Gas in 1987 as manager of advertising and display, has been named director of advertising at the utility.







Movie Stirs Debate:

Movie Surs Devale, Should A Married Woman Accept An Indecent Proposal?

A box-office hit has set tongues wagging across the country and left many considering whether or not a married woman should ever accept an 'indecent pro-

posal'?

Indecent Proposal, the hit movie that has caused national debate over whether or not a dollar sign can be put on sacred marriage vows, stars Demi Moore, Woody Harrelson and Robert Redford. Moore and Harrelson portray Diana and David Murphy, a young married couple with a hearty love life but financial difficulty. Redford is John Gage, the lonely billionaire, who can put them on Easy Street if they agree to his proposition: \$1 million for one night with Mrs. Murphy.

While she has not seen the movie, sultry actress-broadcaster Jayne Kennedy Overton, who is married and the mother of two daughters, told Jet she thought the whole idea was preposterous. Speaking from her Los Angeles home, she said, "I don't think God would like that. I think marriage is sacred, just as life is. You cannot put a price on it..."

She added, "I just could not imagine that anyone would be able to feel that they had anything special (in a marriage) after something like that. Even if she thought she was doing it for the financial benefit of the family, I think she would feel cheapened."

When asked to consider that question, Tony Award-winning actress Tonya Pinkins said tongue-in-cheek, "Just think! You could live off the interest alone," followed by, "Well, only if she is willing to allow her husband to accept an indecent proposal too!"

But on the serious side, the actress, who won theater's highest

honor for best featured actress in a musical for her role in *Jelly's Last Jam*, opposite Gregory Hines, said "I honestly don't feel a married woman should accept any type of proposition or proposal that is of a questionable nature."

The wife, mother of two boys and star of the ABC-TV hit soap opera "All My Children" concluded, "I might be old fashioned, but I take the institution of marriage very seriously. Marriage should

be considered sacred."

The always-outrageous singer Millie Jackson, who has been touring the country with blues legends B.B. King and Bobby Blue Bland, shared her views on the controversy with Jet during a recent break from the road. "I look at it and I say to myself for a million dollars, "Self, if your bills are paid, why be bothered?"

"But if everything is due, the house note, the kids need shoes and all those other important things, why not?" she exclaimed. "Especially, since male or female, they're probably going to give it away eventually anyway," Jack-

son continued.

While she has not seen the movie, Jackson, who is known for her shoot-from-the-hip, sassy style, said she has seen enough of television talk show interviews and heard callers on talk radio programs discussing the matter. "The same ones who are calling in and saying 'Oh, no. I'd never,' that same tramp is probably sleeping with the gardener for free."

In fact, her only argument is, "So, what about a married man? It works both ways. Some people



Jayne Kennedy Overton believes you can't put a price tag on sacred marriage vows.

Tonya Pinkins feels any questionable overture to a married woman is unacceptable.





Some Could Rationalize It

might say, suppose a woman offered you a million dollars for a

night with your man?..."

Without missing a beat, she responded, "I'd say, What time and where do I bring him?" Here I come with a box of condoms that fit. Give me the money and I'll have him there." She noted, "Because if he don't get the money and I catch him laying up with a broke (expletive), I'll kill him," as she let out a hearty laugh.

While Jackson's attitude, may sound a bit unconventional, family and marriage therapist Audrey Chapman of Washington, D.C., feels there are probably more people who would seriously enter-

tain the notion.

"My first reaction was that it was a far-fetched idea. I couldn't imagine a male being willing to If in dire need, Millie Jackson would say "Why not?" to an indecent proposal. While the idea sounds outland-



ish, family-marriage therapist Audrey Chapman figures some women feel they would have little to lose.

(let another man have a night with his wife for a million dollars)," said Chapman from her office at Howard University where she is also a counselor. "I thought, What does it say about our value system? What does it say about us when we could consider sharing our mates for money?"

"But I read where some men who had been with a woman for many, many years said they would do it," she said in bewilder-

ment.

She figures some people would rationalize, "With a one-night stand you might end up with a nice evening and passionate sex and not much more than a bruised

ego."

"One could appear to have less to lose because of the money factor...," Chapman pointed out, noting, "You end up with the monetary gain...even if your ego is bruised by the offer, maybe you can soothe it by going out on a shopping spree. In the other instance, you just have the bruised ego."

CHILDREN

Children Benefit From Preschool Into Teen Years

A 21-year study out of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, maintains that a high quality preschool program can leave children with academic and IQ advancement into their teens.

Researchers followed 111 infants from low-income families from birth until age 15. The children were divided into two groups: one offered high-quality preschool training aided by master teachers; the other had no preschool training.

Among the results: the kids with preschool and help from master teachers scored 95 on standardized reading tests and 92.1 on math tests (where 100 is average). Those with no preschool scored 87.5 in reading and 86 in math.

U.S. Says All Infants **Need Sickle Cell Testing**

Regardless of race, newborn babies should be tested for sickle cell anemia, an affliction which largely affects Blacks, and children with the disease should take penicillin until age 5, the United States Public Health Service has said. One in every 375 American Blacks has sickle cell anemia, a painful condition for which there is no cure.

A study panel of the Public Health Service's Agency for Health Care Policy and Research recommended widespread testing because the racial or ethnic ancestry of a baby may not be easily determined.

THE FOOT REPORT

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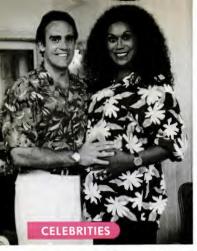
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Ruth Pointer and husband Michael Sayles are expecting twins.

Ruth Pointer, 47, Pregnant With Twins In Happy Interracial Marriage

For a long time, 15 years to be exact, Ruth Pointer indulged her demons. Her addiction to alcohol. Her passion for illegal drugs. And her attraction to men who exploited her weaknesses then left her pregnant and alone.

And then she met Michael Sayles, her husband of nearly three years, who just wanted to be her friend—a real friend.

"None of my relationships in the past had started that way," says Ruth who, after being artificially inseminated, is, at 47, expecting twins with Sayles. "They were always drug induced or partying induced or sexually inspired relationships."

Sayles couldn't have been more different. "He was soooo nice to me," coos Ruth, who met her 36-year-old husband at a Los Angeles gym of which he is part

owner.

Not that it was love at first sight for either of them. Far from

Celebrating her wedding three years ago to her current husband Michael Sayles, Ruth Pointer is joined by her grandchildren and (rear, l-r) sister Anita, mother Sarah, sister June and daughter Issa.



Michael, Ruth and Issa are delighted with news of pregnancy.

it. There were just too many anxieties that the Grammy Award-winning songstress had to address. High on the list: race.

"I've always very seriously pursued Black men," she confides. "All of my husbands were Black

men."

Until Sayles.

"Something inside of me said I don't care what color he is," Ruth says, explaining how she overcame her apprehensions about the race question. "He could have been a martian. It just felt so comfortable."

Ditto for Sayles. "Maybe I'm blind or foolish, but I haven't had a problem being with Ruth and I don't look to see what other peo-

ple's reactions are."

With the race question disposed of, Ruth still had to face her concerns about their 11-year age difference ("I had to let him know I wasn't a spring chicken"), and what that difference would mean if Sayles wanted children.

"I had my tubes tied," says Ruth who, in addition to two grandchildren, has two grown children and a 15-year-old daughter. "I had no plans to get into a

family situation."

Those were plans Ruth was all

too happy to rethink.

"I started feeling like this is the kind of guy I would have wanted to be the father of my children," says Ruth, who lived with Sayles a year before they married.

But change didn't come easy. The spirit was willing but the body took some convincing.



"We had tried to conceive for two years as soon as we got married," recalls Ruth, who ultimately had to obtain an egg donor, take hormone shots three times a day every day for months, and be artificially inseminated three times before becoming pregnant last Christmas.

When Michael called her from the doctor's office with the news that she was pregnant "I started to cry," remembers Ruth, who for the first time has a man with whom she can share that joy. "I rolled out of the bed onto the floor on my knees and I was just crying and calling God's name. It was just so much gratitude. To this day I still can't believe we're pregnant."

Once the twins arrive in late summer, Michael, who goes to every doctor's appointment with

Pointer Confesses Marriage To Sayles Changed Her Life

his wife, understands that sharing will remain the watchword, particularly when Ruth tours with her famous sisters.

"It's not going to be any such thing as the mother does this and the father does that," explains Michael. "It's going to be a sharing across the board."

It's a novel concept for Ruth. who admits that Michael's concept of family took some getting

used to.

When the relationship grew serious the first thing Michael did was to fire all of her help-from manager to secretary.

"I was horrified," she recalls. "I thought no nanny? What am I go-

ing to do?"

What she did was become a conventional mother to her 15-vearold daughter. Issa, doing everything from joining the school car pool to attending school events.

"My daughter and I have become so close because I am so involved in her life now," says Ruth. who admits one of her greatest regrets is putting her career before her grown children, 28-yearold Faun and 27-year-old Malik.

She won't make that mistake

with the twins.

As Ruth recognizes, very few people who spend a decade and a half drinking and drugging get a second chance at motherhoodand life.

"I feel more responsible now than I ever did," she says. "I feel like everything that has happened to me in the past has made me the person who I am today.

"This must be what God feels I

really deserve."

Gary Coleman Tells 'Geraldo' Talk Show Of **His Suicide Attempts**



Actor Gary Coleman, who came to fame as Arnold on TV's "Diff'rent Strokes" and later battled his parents in court for control of his as-

Gary Coleman sets, admitted on a recent taping of "Geraldo" that he has attempted suicide twice.

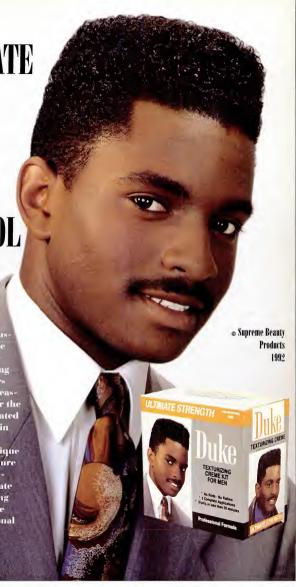
"I would be inhuman if I didn't tell you that I have had thoughts and attempts of suicide." Coleman, 25, said on the show. "I've always tried to do it with sleeping pills." The attempts only made him tired, he said. Coleman has battled kidney disease all his life. After "Diff'rent Strokes" was canceled in 1985, he was portraved in the media as a gun-crazy, former child star, with failing health, who couldn't land a job.

Wesley Snipes Will Star **As Marvel Comics Hero**

Actor Wesley Snipes, who is currently drawing fans to theaters across the country for his latest role in Boiling Point, is set to star in the title role of the movie spinoff from a Marvel Comics called The Black Panther, according to newspaper reports.



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Keynote speaker Gen. Colin Powell (l) is joined (l-r) Hon. Damon J. Keith; Henry Brown, vice president of Anheuser Busch; and Dr. Benjamin Chavis, NAACP national executive director.

Annual NAACP Dinner Raises \$1.3 Million, Draws Thousands

The 38th annual NAACP Freedom Fund Dinner at the Cobo Center in Detroit amassed \$1.3 million for the civil rights organization's social programs and drew 10,000 guests to the \$200-a-couple

event, making it one of the world's largest fund-raising dinners.

Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, was this year's keynote speaker. He stressed the need for interaction between America's many cultures to solve problems of racial, social

Dinner participants (l-r) are Charles T. (Chick) Fisher III, president and CEO of National Bank of Detroit; Tom J. Adams, 1993 dinner chairperson; Dr. Delphine Walker Shivers, 1993 dinner co-chairperson; and Dr. William F. Gibson, NAACP Nat'l Board chairman.





Enjoying the 38th annual NAACP dinner are (1-r) Harold "Red" Poling. CEO of Ford Motor Co.; Chacona Johnson; Dr. Arthur L. Johnson, past president, NAACP Detroit Branch: JoAnne Watson, executive director, NAACP Detroit Branch; and Robert Warfield, 1994 NAACP chairperson.

and economic strife.

If soldiers of different races can act as a family unit thousands of miles away from America, then. "Surely, it's possible to bring that spirit of family back here to America and put it in the schools and the workplace," Powell said.

Rev. Benjamin Chavis, the new national executive director who

replaced Benjamin Hooks in April, made impassioned comments on the conviction of two of four White officers in the federal civil rights case of Black motorist Rodney King, a verdict which was rendered one day prior to the dinner (Jet, May 3).

Calling the verdict a "partial victory," Chavis said: "It means the NAACP must be vigilant to make sure that we get full justice. Full justice is not just a jury verdict. It's what we said here to-

Enjoying the Freedom Fund festivities are Mrs. Frances Hooks, wife of Benjamin Hooks, and Michigan Gov. John Engler. Mayor Coleman A. Young and Detroit NAACP President Wendell Anthony greeted the guests.









Rosa Parks (at podium)-flanked (l-r) by Hon. Damon Keith, Gen. Colin Powell, Detroit Tigers and Red Wings owner Mike Ilitch, and Mrs. Marion Ilitch-presents mural portraits to Powell and Ilitch.

Detroit Dinner Draws VIPs

night: jobs, education, health care and empowerment of African Americans."

Also on tap for the evening were Detroit Mayor Coleman



Young; civil rights pioneer Rosa Parks; Michigan Gov. John Engler; Charles Fisher III, corporate co-chair of this year's dinner and chairman of NBC Bancorp; U.S. Rep. John Conyers, (D., Mich.); Democratic U.S. Sens. Carl Levin and Donald Riegle Jr., and several NAACP national board members.

The Honorable Judge Damon Keith, a Spingarn Medalist, and his wife Dr. Rachel Keith marked 38 consecutive years of productive support of the Freedom Fund Dinner and helped the Detroit NAACP branch become the national organization's biggest fund raiser.

The Detroit branch of NAACP is the largest of 2,200 branches nationwide.

Mrs. Alma Powell, wife of keynote speaker Gen. Colin Powell, and NAACP supporter Corrine Houston were among Freedom Fund Dinner quests.

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Words of the Week

Ethel Bradley, 74, wife of retiring Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley, commenting on the end of the 20-year era of her life as first lady of America's second largest city: "It's time for me to have a life of my own... I'm just glad it's all over. I'm going to entertain my friends any day of the week. I'm going to make myself a pot of coffee, go in and sit down in my new family room, watch TV and be happy."

Vernon Reid, guitarist and founder of the hard rock band Living Colour, noting the barriers for Black musicians playing music considered to be for Whites in the Chicago Sun-Times: "Rap is accepted as Black, urban form of music. But rock 'n' roll still is seen as White man's domain, even though it came from the Black man."

Sgt. Jackie Davis, a New Orleans homicide detective who overcame a childhood fraught with obstacles, and later, racism and sexism to become one of the city's most accomplished officers, on reaching her status as a homicide detective: "When I was young, I was always told that I was not going to accomplish anything. I felt that, if I give up or if I screw up, it's going to be on Jackie's account, not because anybody else made her give up."

Sylvia Rhone, CEO/chairman of East West Records whose roster of artists include EnVogue and Gerald Levert, sharing her views on being one of the few Black women on top of the music industry: "This is a business and I wouldn't be here if I hadn't made a direct impact on the bottom line. Still, I think thanks to my success and the success of others that, eventually, that sexist good ol' boy school of thought will go the way of the dinosaur. It'll take us a few years to accomplish it, but hey, I'm up for the fight. And so are a lot of other women."

Ben Chavis, new executive director of the NAACP, describing the civil rights organization's mission in USA Today: "The NAACP has to help challenge all sectors of our society to own up to our historic sin. If there's an original sin in America, it is racism."



Ethel Bradley



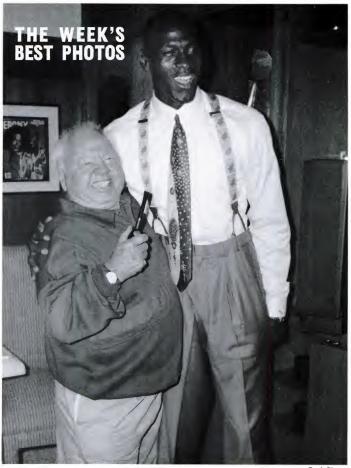
Vernon Reid



Sulvia Rhone



Ben Chavis



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Mickey And Mike: Chicago Bulls star Michael Jordan shares a laugh with actor Mickey Rooney, who is currently starring in *Lend Me A Tenor* in Chicago, during the recent gala opening of Jordan's downtown restaurant aptly named "Michael Jordan's Restaurant."

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Family Time: Husband and wife singing team Nicholas Ashford and Valerie Simpson enjoy their daughter, Asia, backstage at Martin's West nightspot in Baltimore after a show saluting Maryland 100 Black Men. Asia sang a tune with her parents during the show.



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A Good Cause: Superstar model Naomi Campbell joins actress
Brooke Shields as they lend their support to a recent celebrity-studded
benefit held at the Industria Super Studio in New York City for Batoto
Yetu, a Harlem-based cultural arts and youth development program.

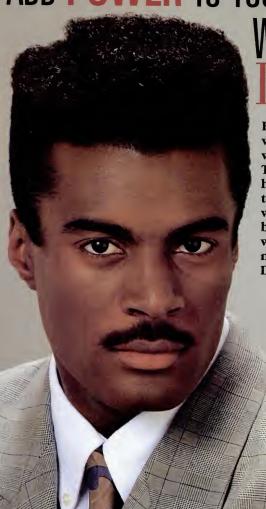
SOCIETY WORLD

COCKTAIL CHITCHAT: When the 32nd Eastern Area Conference of The Links Inc. convened at the Richmond Marriott Hotel in Richmond, Va., the following officers were re-elected: Dr. Barbara Dixon Simpkins, eastern area director; Cecelia B. Henderson, vice area director; and Marjorie Phillips, secretary. Several national officers attended the conference. Links were thrilled by performances of the Duke Ellington School of the Arts, Show Choir of the D.C. Public Schools, the Virginia Union University Choir and the Links Eastern Area Choir, as well as dancers from Virginia State University. Area awards were given to outstanding citizens and chapters. Hazel O'Leary, U.S. secretary of energy and Elaine Jones, director-counsel, NAACP Legal Defense Fund, were honored in absentia. Other honorees were: Dr. Marvin Curtis, Thomas Cannon, Dr. Janice McManus Mack, Robert T. Greene, Sr., Anna F. Price and Rev. Melvin Williams Jr. Toni L. Harper, accompanied by her lovely daughter, Corie, received the Daisy Adams Lampkin Award. The Central Virginia Links Cluster hosted the conference. Carolyn L. Mosby was the conference chair and Ann Taylor was the vice conference chair...One of the top social events of the summer season in Seattle, Wash., will be the June 5th wedding of Dr. W. Michelle Terry and Atty. Kenneth Craig Burton. Michelle, daughter of Mercedes Terry and the late Robert Terry of Houston, is a graduate of the Baylor College of Medicine. Kenneth, son of Atty. and Mrs. Phillip L. Burton of Seattle, is a graduate of the University of Washington School of Law.



D Blissful Union: Mr. and Mrs. Calvin L. Clements sealed their love recently by exchanging wedding vows at Community Baptist Church in Newport, R.I. The Revs. Vincent Thompson Jr. and Harrison Daniels officiated at the nuptials. The bride, the former Teresa A. Williams, is an editorial assistant at the U.S. Naval War College. The bridegroom, a former communications specialist in the U.S. Navy, is with the Newport Naval Commissioned Officer's Club.





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Dering: Chicago Bulls star Michael Jordan and wife Juanita try out some of the items on the menu at the recent grand opening of his downtown eatery, Michael Jordan's Restaurant. MJ's establishment is decorated with memorabilia from his stellar career, including a wall covered with jerseys, photographs and magazine covers. The bill of fare features some of Jordan's favorites, including ribs, pasta, crab cakes, seafood and steaks. The restaurant features a sports bar on the first floor and an adjoining gift store. There's a main dining room on the second floor, in addition to a glass enclosed private dining room for Michael, and meeting and banquet rooms on the third.

Holmes Selected In 1st Round Of NFL Draft

An exciting first round of the NFL amateur draft had Lester Holmes of traditionally-Black Jackson State University called into service by the Philadelphia Eagles.

He was the first Black player from a historically Black universi-

ty to be selected.

The 6-foot-3½, 301-pound Holmes from Tylertown, Miss.,

was the 19th pick overall in NFL draft.

Holmes is the first player from Jackson State since 1975 when Walter Payton (chosen 4th) and Robert Brazile (eighth) were taken in the draft.

He is the first player chosen from the Southwest Athletic Conference (SWAC) since Mississippi Valley State receiver Jerry Rice was selected 16th by the San Francisco 49ers.

Dawes wears one of her silver medals while on the viewing stand in Birmingham, England.

Dominique Dawes Wins 2 Silver Medals During World Gymnastic Events

Little Dominique Dawes was the talk of the World Gymnastics Championships competition in Birmingham, England, after she became the first Black gymnast to win two silver medals in the competition.

Dawes captured medals for Team U.S.A. in the uneven parallel bars and balance beam events.

She actually led competition after three events with the pummel horse vault competition remaining.

Dawes needed a 9.787 in the vault to become the overall champion.

However, she took a gamble and through out her usual routine in which she averaged a 9.8 and tried a more difficult experimental routine.

The gamble back-fired and she scored much lower than expected and fell out of medal contention for overall supremacy, with a fourth-place finish.

The gutsy 16-year-old, who stands 4-feet, 8½ inches and weighs 80 pounds, was a bit disappointed she did not win a medal for overall performance.

"I'm really disappointed, but I'm excited that I won the silver medals. I upgraded my ranking

Dawes soars over the uneven bars with her legs perfectly parallel to the gymnastics arena floor.



from 26th in the world to fourth in the world," Dawes said.

Her U.S. Gymnastic teammates affectionately call her "awesome Dawesome." Teammate Shannon Miller took the gold medal in the overall competition.



Champ Riddick Bowe Is Cleared In Paternity Squabble Over Boy, 6



Heavy-weight boxing champion Riddick Bowe has discovered that he is not the father of a 6-year-old North Carolina boy whose

Riddick Bowe mother sought a substantial amount of money in child support payments, the fighter's manager and attorney told

Jet.

Bowe filed suit last month in Jacksonville, N.C., asking the state to administer a blood test to determine the father of Tumani Rice, son of Nile Shabazz, Bowe's

former girlfriend.

Rock Newman, Bowe's manager, informed Jet that another man's name, Jefford Rice, appears on the birth certificate and he was also sending Ms. Shabazz about \$250 a month in child-support payments. She also had been receiving payments from the child-welfare system in North Carolina while having sued her ex-husband for child support.

"It was as simple as this," Bowe's attorney Jeff Fried said. "We didn't know she placed another gentleman's name on the birth certificate, which caused some

concern.

"In filing in North Carolina, Riddick wanted to determine whether or not he was the father even though another name was on the certificate," Fried added.

Bowe's manager said the champ had agreed to pay Ms. Shabazz in excess of \$150,000 in addition to granting her liberal visitation rights for custody of the boy. But she rejected the offer and wanted a sum closer to \$500.000.

The real loser appears to be Bowe and little Tumani, who had grown very fond of each other. Bowe took the boy on a family outing to Disney World last year.

"If I had my way, I'd love to be his father," Bowe said in USA To-

dav.

Tyson Hints He May Retire From Boxing

F o r m e r heavyweight boxing champion Mike Tyson recently said in a "Dateline NBC" interview that he may not return to boxing when he fin-



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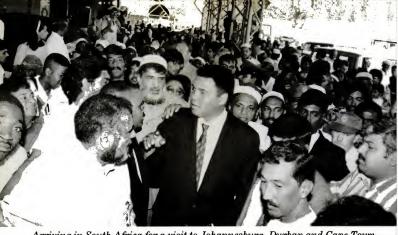
In an interview with legal correspondent Star Jones, Tyson defended his high school friend Riddick Bowe, saying he is a legitimate champion.

And when asked if he would like to fight Bowe, Tyson, 26, told Jones that "I don't want to fight anybody. I would just like to go home. I mean just get out of here

and start my life."

Tyson also denied reports he has changed his religion or his name or had broken up with manager Don King.





Arriving in South Africa for a visit to Johannesburg, Durban and Cape Town, former heavyweight boxing champion is greeted by standing-room-only crowd at airport. He expressed warm appreciation.

MUHAMMAD ALI Excites Millions In First Visit To South Africa, Where He Is Still 'The Greatest'

I'm not superman and I'm tired.
I feel at home here and love being in South Africa particularly

after receiving so much mail from this country," former world heavyweight boxing champion

Shaking hands of enthusiastic fans, Ali put forth an effort to tour the city but was swamped with huge crowds that filled the streets.



Holding a baby boy, Ali plants a kiss on his cheek as the crowd applauds. Muhammad Ali told his loyal fans upon his arrival in Johannesburg recently for a 12-day visit.

For 30 years, Ali repeatedly turned down invitations to visit South Africa because of the brutal treatment of Blacks by the White racist government. Now 51 years old, the boxing legend whose fast fists and speedy feet have been slowed by Parkinson's Syndrome, finally decided to visit for the first time. He accepted an invitation from South Africa's Boxing Development Network, the Muslim Community of SA and the Southern Sun Group to help raise funds for young athletes.

His heroic arrival affirmed that he is still "The Greatest" because he was welcomed by a huge crowd



at the airport about the same time 51-year-old Chris Hani, a liberation movement leader, was assassinated by a race-baiting White gunman in a nearby suburb. Visibly shaken by the tragedy, Ali

Following a wake-up call and breakfast at leisure, Ali departed city for a township tour where he was presented some ceremonial gifts.





Addressing captivated crowd after a ticker tape parade to Johannesburg City Hall, Ali makes a plea for peace among the races in South Africa.

told the people of South Africa at a press conference: "Democracy is too important and your future too precious to allow the violent actions of one man to interfere with your destiny. Chris Hani would not want that."

For the next 11 days, Ali's discipline enabled him to follow an itinerary that not only achieved the objectives of the sponsors but allowed him time to fulfill some

Donning boxing gloves for a press photo opportunity, Ali and Johannesburg Mayor Les Dishy, an ex-fighter, engage in a mock boxing match.





During an emotional tour of Soweto, a Black township, the three-time heavyweight champ cuddles a small child while standing behind barbed wire fence where the tot lives with other members of her family.

personal objectives.

In Cape Town, he visited the cramped cell in which his hero,

South Africa's most famous freedom fighter, Nelson Mandela, was imprisoned for nearly 19 of the 27

Visiting with eager students, affable Ali autographs souvenirs which his fans brought with them. He later donned miner's hat, toured a gold mine and posed with a gold brick which he couldn't keep.





Grimacing as he is caged in the cramped cell where South African leader Nelson Mandela was imprisoned nearly 19 years on Cape Town's Robben Island, "The Greatest" later visited and embraced Mandela.

years he was incarcerated. "I would have gone crazy in there," Ali allowed. "But for a cause like he had, I would do it. I can imagine how lonely he was in there."

During his whirlwind visit to

the riot-torn Soweto township, Ali was mobbed by thousands of young Blacks who had been protesting Hani's brutal killing. He told them: "I won my fights because I studied my opponents and

Hugging Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Tambo at their home, Ali later learned that the African leader died shortly after the visit. Ali was saddened again after meeting the daughter of Chris Hani, who was assassinated by Whites because of his leadership in South Africa.





outsmarted them. You must outsmart your opponent, study, become educated, be cool and have discipline."

He then visited Hani's grieving widow, Limpho, and her youngest daughter, Nomakwezi. He told them that he never had a chance to meet Hani, "but I know he would want you to be strong."

This show of support prompted journalist Roland A. DiNicola, who was travelling with Ali in South Africa to observe: "Few men could come to South Africa under the cloud of Hani's death and by the sheer force of their good will touch the hearts of so many. It is as though Ali was destined to arrive at this moment in history."

Although the former boxing champion was constantly on the move, making speeches to business and political leaders, he found time to relax and enjoy entertainment. He was the guest of a theatrical production that depict-

ed his boxing career. The play was the brainchild of playwright Mbongeni Ngema, whose stage play, Sarafina!, was turned into a successful movie. Ngema's actress wife Leleti Khumalo has a leading role in the popular stage play.

Before departing, he also visited and was praised for his speeches and calming influence by 75-year-old Oliver Tambo, who gave leadership to the African National Congress (ANC) while Mandela was in prison. Shortly after returning to the U.S., Ali learned that Tambo had died of a stroke.

Reflecting upon his visit to South Africa during the days of assassination, violence, riot and death, the three-time boxing champ was pleased that the power of his presence had a positive influence upon the attitudes and behavior of millions of Blacks who still regard him as "The Greatest."

-Photos by Howard Bingham

Returning to Johannesburg, Ali greets actors in a stage play written about him. He poses with playwright Mbongeni Ngema and his actress wife, Leleti Khumalo, a star of the play, and also his Sarafina! movie.





Groomsman Lawrence Douglas Wilder Jr. and his sister, Lynn Wilder, who was the maid of honor, enjou festivities on their sister Loren's wedding day.

Wilder Toasts Couple

(Continued from page 18)

throughout with spring flowers.

When toasting the newly wed couple, Wilder acknowledged that "I have not lost a daughter, I've gained a son."

Wilder's other two children also served in the wedding party. His daughter, Lynn, was the maid-ofhonor and son. Lawrence Wilder. Jr. was a groomsman.

Dr. James' brother, Robert James, who was best man at the wedding, also toasted the couple's union, saying "This is the happiest I've ever seen my brother.

The couple who met on a blind date 18 months ago, honeymooned in the South Pacific. They will live in Menlo Park. Calif.

-Photos by Fred Watkins -Text by Richette L. Haywood



▶ Sony Ceremony: Songstylist Nancy Wilson chats with Sony Corporation of America executives (1-r) Ron Somner, president and chief operating officer, and Jeffrey Brooks, senior vice president of corporate advertising, during the recent fifth Sony Innovators Awards Ceremony in New York. Ms. Wilson joined actor Louis Gossett Jr., as the 1993 Master Innovators for the Sony Innovators Awards Program, a national competition honoring the achievement of young Blacks in music and film/video.



Dyan Cannon and Danny Aiello star in The Pickle, a Columbia Release.

MOVIES TO SEE

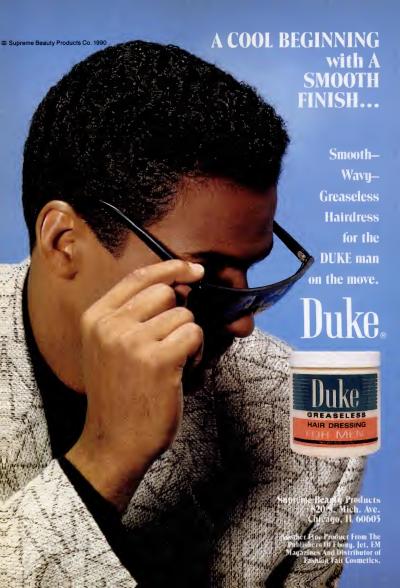
THE PICKLE (Rated: R) Columbia Pictures. A contemporary story containing a science

fiction film-within-a-film about director Harry Stone. He attempts to get out of debt from three flops in a row by directing a teen-age science fiction movie about a flying pickle. In anticipation of a fourth bomb, he is ready to kill himself. Without realizing why he is doing it, he looks for comfort from all of the important people in his life. He has been living in Paris with his 22-year-old girlfriend, he has two ex-wives and does crazy things. The comedy stars Danny Aiello as the distraught director Harry Stone; Dyan Cannon as Ellen, one of his ex-wives; Shelly Winters as his mother; Jerry Stiller as his longtime friend and agent; Clotilde Courau as his 22-year-old girlfriend and Chris Pen as his son. Also Ally Sheedy, Little Richard and Griffin Dunne appear, in addition to feature cameos by Dudlev Moore and Isabella Rossellini.

-Sylvia P. Flanagan

Ally Sheedy (l) meets the President of Cleveland, Little Richard, and his aide Griffin Dunne in The Pickle.





JET'S TOP 20 Albums







Whitney Houston

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Geto Boys	Whitney Houston Artist and Label
*	Geto Boys (Rap-A-Lot) *
* 3 THE CHRONIC	Dr. Dre (Priority)
	Silk (Elektra) *
* 5 LOVE DELUXE	Sade (Epic) 🏂
	L.L. Cool J (Def Jam)
★ 7 THE PREDATOR	lce Cube (Priority) *
🏂 📵 TAKIN' MY TIME	
	Christopher Williams (Uptown/MCA) 💃
	Chante Moore (Silas) 🖈
	SWV (RCA) 🏂
	Arrested Development (Chrysalis) 💃
	LeVert (Atlantic) *
	Naughty By Nature (Tommy Boy) *
REACHIN' (A NEW REFUTATION IN TIME AND SPACE)	
★ ITEL NINE YARDS	Paperboy (Next Plateau)
* 17 IF I EVER FAIL IN LOVE	Shai (Gasoline Alley) *
	Snar (dasonne Aney)
*	H-Town (Luke)
**	Mary J. Blige (Uptown) *
	mary of bilgo (optomi)

JET'S Top 20 Singles

Title	Artist and Label
1 FREAK ME	Silk (Elektra)
2 GOOD OL' DAYS	LeVert (Atlantic)
3 KNOCKIN' DA BOOTS	H-Town (Luke)
4 IT WAS A GOOD DAY	Ice Cube (Priority)
5 SO ALONE	Men At Large (Eastwest)
6 HOW I'M COMIN'	L.L. Cool J (Def Jam)
7 HONEY DIP	Portrait (Capitol)
8 I HAVE NOTHING	
9 IF I COULD	Regina Belle (Columbia)
10 NUTHIN' BUT A "G" THANG	Dr. Dre (Priority)
11 SWEET ON U	
12 THAT'S THE WAY LOVE GOES	Janet Jackson (Virgin)
13 WEAK	SWV (RCA)
14 BABY BE MINE	Blackstreet (MCA)
15 COMFORTER	Shai (Gasoline Alley)
16 TELLIN' ME STORIES	Big Bub (Eastwest)
17 DITTY	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
18 HIP HOP HOORAY	Naughty By Nature (Tommy Boy)
19 CROOKED OFFICERS	Geto Boys (Rap-A-Lot)
20 SIX FEET DEEP	Geto Boys (Rap-A-Lot)







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TELEVISION

U.S. Senator Carol Moseley-Braun Highlights 'Showcase'

U.S. Sen. Carol Moseley-Braun and hit music group Hair star on a special edition of "EBONY/JET Showcase," on location from Washington D.C. (Friday, May 14 through Sunday, May 16. Check your local listing for date and time in your city). Others scheduled to appear this week include:

Blair Underwood on "L.A. Law," (Thursday, May 13 at 10 p.m., ET)

on NBC.

Danny Glover in Lethal Weapon II, (Friday, May 14 at 8:30 p.m.,

ET) on CBS.

Telma Hopkins/Deon Richmond/Marlin Fantana on "Getting By," (Friday, May 14 at 9 p.m., ET) on ABC.

Doug E. Doug/Shaun Baker/Jason Bose-Smith/Lorraine Toussaint/Flex/Yunoka Doyle/Sulli-

van Walker on "Where I Live," (Friday, May 14 at 9:30 p.m., ET) on

ABC.

Clarence Gilyard on "Matlock," (Saturday, May 15 at 8 p.m., ET) on ABC.

Gina Belafonte on "The Commish," (Saturday, May 15 at 10 p.m., ET) on ABC.

Ernie Hudson in Wild Palms Part I (Sunday, May 16 at 9 p.m., ET) on ABC. (Part II Monday, May 17 at 9 p.m., ET) and (Part III Tuesday, May 18 at 10 p.m., ET) on ABC.

Ossie Davis on "Evening Shade," (Monday, May 17 at 8 p.m., ET) on

CBS.

Will Smith/Janet Hubert-Whitten/James Avery/Karyn Parsons/ Alfonso Ribeiro/Joseph Marcell/Tatyana Ali on "Fresh Prince of Bel-Air," (Monday, May 17 at 8 p.m., ET) on NBC.

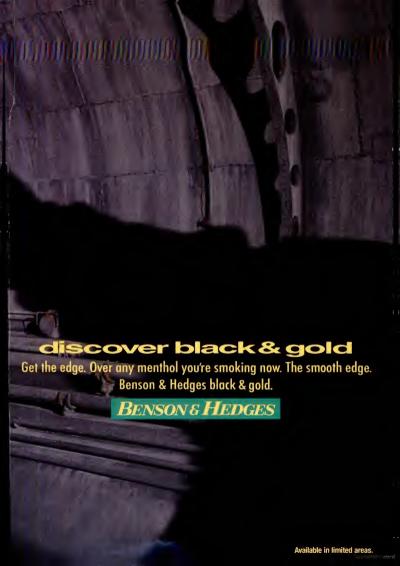
Mark Curry/Dawnn Lewis/Holly Robinson on "Hangin' With Mr.

Cooper," (Tuesday, May 18 at 8:30 p.m., ET) on ABC.



The nation's first Black female senator, Carol Moseley-Braun, talks about what convinced her to devote her life to public service, and much more on "Showcase."





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